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Cc: Suzanne Paschke[spaschke@usgs.gov]
From: Coursen, Robin
Sent: Thur 3/19/2015 9:12:17 PM
Subject: FW: Upper Animas quarterly report

Hi Stacey, I am forwarding this to you because there was discussion about denying the invoice approval. I am having difficulties across all USGS cost centers in getting the info we need to approve our invoices. We have to be able to tie the work done to the invoice amounts and all of it needs to conform with the SOW. I have asked Suzanne Pashke if maybe we could have a conf call with everyone across these cost centers so there is better understanding of what we need, when we need it and how it should be presented. We are in the process of getting a QMP in place that will likely bring more work to USGS so it is fairly urgent to get this straightened out. Please call me if you have any questions, in the meantime I have approved this invoice for payment.

From: Schmittdiel, Paula
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 2:24 PM
To: Coursen, Robin
Subject: RE: Upper Animas quarterly report

Robin – I will approve the Upper Animas quarterly report this time. However, in the future we do need USGS to submit a more complete progress report that follows the template for IA reporting and provides the supporting information for the expenditures. Both Dan Wall and I are familiar with Tom Chapin's work and understand the nature of the expenses even if they are not fully documented. I know you are working with USGS on their reporting format so hopefully in the future their reports will have all of the information needed.

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From: Coursen, Robin
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 1:56 PM
To: Schmittdiel, Paula
Subject: RE: Upper Animas quarterly report

Paula, can you send me an email that approves this for invoice payment please.

From: Schmittdiel, Paula
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 4:22 PM
To: Coursen, Robin; Wall, Dan
Cc: Christensen, Stanley
Subject: RE: Upper Animas quarterly report

Robin – I will get with Dan next week and try and sort this out. Dan is in SLC this week at meetings on another site.

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From: Coursen, Robin
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 4:16 PM
To: Wall, Dan; Schmittdiel, Paula
Cc: Christensen, Stanley; Coursen, Robin

Subject: FW: Upper Animas quarterly report

Dan or Paula, are you able to help me with this?? can you work with Tom Chapin on this quarterly report. It is not adequate. Here are my comments. I have emailed him but not heard back.

Travel charges—shows two hotels on same night.

Equipment—not on our spreadsheet for authorized expenditures.

Training—is this in the SOW??

Other--\$2502—there was only \$100 placed in other on the IA Decision Memorandum.

Overhead—I don't know what this is?? Is it his hourly charges??

If it is not, where are the hours he worked and the amount charged for work??

Purchases—what is this and was it authorized??

I have attached a copy of a template we use at other USGS offices. Together with a spreadsheet of hours by task and totals, that is what I need in order to approve an invoice. IAs are like contracts, the invoices have to show us what hours are spent and that the other agency is following the SOW, as well as that work is accomplished.

Thanks for your help. This invoice payment is overdue because the quarterly was not received to review against the charges.

From: Chapin, Thomas [<mailto:tchapin@usgs.gov>]

Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 11:46 AM

To: Paschke, Suzanne

Cc: Briles, Stacy; Coursen, Robin; Schmittdiel, Paula; Ward, Beverly; Donna Hector; Ashley Spinelli

Subject: Re: Upper Animas quarterly report

Hi Folks,

I'm back from field work. These charges are for work with Dan Wall on the Upper Animas River.

Charges include travel, hotel and vehicle rental (\$583.14), equipment (\$2589.42) and overhead (\$1561.79)

Attached is the basis breakdown. Let me know if you have other questions

On Fri, Mar 6, 2015 at 8:51 AM, Paschke, Suzanne <spaschke@usgs.gov> wrote:

Hi all,

This invoice is for work in the Crustal Science Center. Stacy Briles is the Administrative Officer, and I believe that Tom Chapin is the Project Chief.

I do not know who at EPA is the technical lead and(or) Tom's primary contact.

Stacy thanks for working with Robin on this invoice.

Suzanne

On Thu, Mar 5, 2015 at 8:37 AM, Briles, Stacy <sbriles@usgs.gov> wrote:

Thanks Bev! We'll look into it.

On Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 3:22 PM, Ward, Beverly <bevward@usgs.gov> wrote:

Stacy:

This request for information appears to be for your cost center. I pulled up the IPAC number and the Sales Order is 43284.

Thanks.

Bev Ward

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From: **Ward, Beverly** <bevward@usgs.gov>
Date: Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 3:17 PM
Subject: Re: Upper Animas quarterly report
To: "Paschke, Suzanne" <spaschke@usgs.gov>, Donna J Hector
<djhector@usgs.gov>
Cc: Beverly Ward <bevward@usgs.gov>

This billing belongs to Crustal.

Donna: Is the AO Stacy Briles?

Bev

On Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 3:09 PM, Paschke, Suzanne <spaschke@usgs.gov> wrote:

Yes, we need to help with contact information.

Please and thank you.

Suzanne

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From: **Coursen, Robin** <Coursen.Robin@epa.gov>
Date: Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 3:05 PM
Subject: RE: Upper Animas quarterly report
To: "Paschke, Suzanne" <spaschke@usgs.gov>

No we have not received any quarterly reports to tie the invoiced amounts to. Can you give me the contact name to call at that cost center??

From: Paschke, Suzanne [<mailto:spaschke@usgs.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 04, 2015 3:04 PM
To: Donna J Hector

Cc: Coursen, Robin

Subject: Re: Upper Animas quarterly report

Hi Robin,

Did you receive the information you needed for this or should we help track down the source of the invoice?

Donna,

I believe that this invoice to EPA is coming from another USGS cost center on the Denver Federal Center. Tom Chapin is the project lead.

Do you know which cost center and how to direct this inquiry from Robin?

Thanks,

Suzanne

On Thu, Feb 26, 2015 at 6:00 PM, Coursen, Robin

<Coursen.Robin@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Suzanne, We have 20 days to approve invoices and there appears to be no quarterly report that came in yet upon which to approve this invoice. Will that be coming our way soon??

US EPA

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Federal Payment Pr

Bill No: 01122179

Type: IPA

Compass Obligation Number: DW14924078

Project St

Agency: DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Title: UPPER ANIMAS MINE

Compass Invoice Barcode: IA150159501

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Pay to: DEPT OF INTERIOR

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Invoice Total: 4,734.35

Comments (Req

Date: 02/26/2015

☒ Approved

☐ Disapproved

Suspense Amount: 0.00

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Allocated Total: 0.00

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Schmittdiel, Paula No Items

ITEMS: 12,481

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Thanks,

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